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(01.0705)

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING IGNOFFO LETTER TO ALYOSHINA,
WITH COPIES TO AYKAZYAN, SHENDEREY AND ISHCHENKO.

2. 01.0705 - NOVEMBER 3, 1977

DR. O. A. ALYOSHINA, DIRECTOR
ALL-UNION INSTITUTE OF MICROBIOLOGICAL
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MINISTRY OF MICROBIAL INDUSTRY
UL. LESTEVA 18, MOSCOW, USSR

DEAR OLGA:
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IT CERTAINLY WAS A PLEASURE HEARING FROM YOU. I HOPE ALL
IS WELL AND THAT YOU ARE FEELING BETTER.

I RECEIVED YOUR FIRST LETTER (UNDATED) AND YOUR SECOND
LETTER (OCTOBER 18, 1977) SEVERAL DAYS AFTER YOUR TELEPHONE
CALL OF OCTOBER 20, 1977.

AS COMMUNICATED TO YOU BY TELEPHONE AND IN ANSWER TO YOUR LETTERS, IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE US GROUP TO MEET IN RIGA IN JANUARY 1978.

A DATE SOMETIME BETWEEN MAY 1, 1978, AND SEPTEMBER 30, 1978, AS DISCUSSED IN PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS, WOULD PERMIT MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION BY US SCIENTISTS. IT IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT THAT US PARTICIPANTS HAVE AT LEAST THREE MONTHS' NOTICE BEFORE THE CONFERENCE TO MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR TRIP TO THE SOVIET UNION.

I SEE NO MAJOR PROBLEM IN RESTRICTING THE FIRST CONFERENCE TO ONLY FUNGI AS YOU SUGGESTED IN YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 18, 1977. WE MUST REALIZE, HOWEVER, THAT THE OTHER TOPICS HAVE ALSO BEEN APPROVED BY THE US-USSR JOINT COMMISSION ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION, CO-CHAIRLED BY ACADEMICIAN V. A. KIRILLIN, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE OF THE USSR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND BY DR. FRANK PRESS, SCIENCE ADVISER TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE USA AND DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

CONSEQUENTLY, OUR FIRST CONFERENCE, IF IT IS TO BE RESTRICTED TO PRESENTATIONS ON FUNGI, SHOULD ALSO PERMIT

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PERSONAL DISCUSSION BETWEEN USSR AND USA CO-TASK COORDINATORS FOR THOSE SECTIONS TITLED:

(1) FEASIBILITY OF IN VITRO PROPAGATION OF VERTEBRATE
-- VIRUSES (USA CO-TASK COORDINATOR: DR. J. VAUGHN,
-- USDA, ARS, BELTSVILLE, MD, USA)

(2) SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF ACTIVE STABLE STRAINS OF
-- ENTOMOPATHOGENS
-- (CO-CHAIRPERSON: DR. L. BULLA, USDA, ARS, MANHATTAN,
-- KS USA)

(3) STANDARDIZATION OF INSECTICIDAL ACTIVITY OF ENTOMOPATHOGENS (DR. M. MARTIGNONI, US FOREST SERVICE,
-- CORVALLIS, OR, USA)

THE USA PARTICIPANTS IN A CONFERENCE ONLY ON FUNGI WOULD BE THE SAME AS PREVIOUSLY LISTED (MY LETTER OF APRIL 20, 1977). THESE WERE:

(1) PAST HISTORY AND CURRENT STATUS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF
-- ENTOMOPATHOGENIC FUNGI IN THE UNITED STATES

-- (DR. D. ROBERTS, BOYCE THOMPSON INSTITUTE, YONKERS,
-- NY, USA)

(2) PAST HISTORY AND CURRENT STATUS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF

-- ACTIVE STRAINS OF BEAUVERIA BASSIANA IN THE UNITED
-- STATES(DR. L. BULLA, USDA, ARS, MANHATTAN, KS, USA)

(3) STUDIES ON DEVELOPMENT OF HIRSUTELLA THOMPSONII AS A

-- FUNGAL MICROBIAL INSECTICIDE
-- (DR. C. MCCOY, UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, LAKE ALFRED, FL,
-- USA)

(4) DEVELOPMENT OF NOMURAEA RILEYI AS A FUNGAL MICROBIAL

-- INSECTICIDE
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-- (DR. C. M. IGNOFFO, USDA, ARS, COLUMBIA, MO, USA)

(5) DEVELOPMENT OF ENTOMOPHTHORA SPECIES AS A POSSIBLE

-- MICROBIAL INSECTICIDE
-- (DR. R. SOPER, USDA, ARS, ORONO, ME, USA)

(6) BIOCHEMICAL BASIS FOR PATHOGENICITY OF BEAUVERIA

-- BASSIANA (DR. E. GRULA, OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY,
-- STILLWATER, OK, USA)

(7) STANDARDIZATION OF PREPARATIONS OF BEAUVERIA AND OTHER

-- FUNGI
-- (DR. T. COUCH, ABBOTT LABORATORIES, NORTH CHICAGO, IL,
-- USA).

I THINK IT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT THAT ANY CONFERENCE NOT
ONLY INCLUDE PRESENTATION OF PAPERS ON THE STATUS OF THE
WORK IN THE USSR AND USA, BUT ALSO PERMIT A WORKING
CONFERENCE BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL USA AND USSR SCIENTISTS.

THE WORKING CONFERENCE TO BE SCHEDULED AFTER PRESENTATION
OF PAPERS SESSION WILL ESTABLISH AND DOCUMENT:

(1) SPECIFIC RESEARCH OBJECTIVES FOR EACH TASK AREA;

(2) TYPES OF COOPERATIVE EFFORT WHICH ARE PLANNED BETWEEN
-- USSR AND USA SCIENTISTS; AND

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(3) A PROGRAM TO IMPLEMENT THESE RESEARCH OBJECTIVES AND
-- PLANS FOR EACH AREA OF INVESTIGATION.

IT WOULD ALSO BE MOST HELPFUL TO KNOW THE NAMES OF THE
USSR SCIENTISTS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE CONFERENCE
AND THOSE WHO WILL BE THE TASK COORDINATORS FOR THE OTHER
SUBJECT AREAS PRIOR TO THE CONFERENCE MEETINGS.

TO EXPEDITE DELIVERY OF CORRESPONDENCE, MIGHT I SUGGEST
THAT YOUR LETTERS BE TAKEN TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY FOR
FORWARDING TO ME. YOU MIGHT ALSO WANT TO CONSIDER
CORRESPONDING BY COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM, IF THIS IS
PREFERABLE.

ALL USA PARTICIPANTS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A MUTUALLY
PRODUCTIVE SESSION AND PROGRAM FOR PROJECT V.

MY SINCERE PERSONAL BEST WISHES TO YOU.

SINCERELY,

CARLO M. IGNOFFO
LABORATORY DIRECTOR

CC: DR. AYKAZYAN
-- DR. SHENDEREY
-- MR. ISHCENKO VANCE

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